

**MINUTES OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**  
Tuesday, May 15, 2012 – 3:00 p.m. – Room 445 State Capitol

**Members Present:**

Speaker Rebecca D. Lockhart, Chair  
President Michael G. Waddoups, Vice Chair  
Sen. Scott K. Jenkins  
Sen. Patricia W. Jones  
Sen. Peter C. Knudson  
Sen. Karen W. Morgan  
Sen. Wayne L. Niederhauser  
Sen. Ross I. Romero  
Rep. Brad L. Dee  
Rep. Gregory H. Hughes  
Rep. Brian S. King  
Rep. David Litvack  
Rep. Ronda Rudd Menlove  
Rep. Jennifer M. Seelig

**Members Absent:**

Sen. Benjamin M. McAdams  
Rep. Christine F. Watkins

**Staff Present:**

Mr. Michael E. Christensen, Director  
Mr. John L. Fellows, General Counsel  
Mr. Thomas R. Vaughn, Associate General Counsel  
Ms. Phalin L. Flowers, Administrative Assistant

**Note:** A list of others present, a copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at [www.le.utah.gov](http://www.le.utah.gov).

**1. Committee Business**

Chair Lockhart called the meeting to order at 3:36 p.m. Sen. McAdams and Rep. Watkins were excused from the meeting.

**MOTION:** Pres. Waddoups moved to approve the minutes of the March 29, 2012 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hughes and Rep. Seelig absent for the vote.

**2. Request for Proposals for Mobile Phone Contract**

Mr. Thomas Vaughn, Associate General Counsel, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel (OLRGC), distributed and discussed "Cell Phones, Tablets, and Related Service, RFP No. 2012-03." He gave an overview of what the RFP entails and answered committee questions.

**MOTION:** Pres. Waddoups moved to have staff move forward with issuing the RFP on cell phones, tablets, and related service. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hughes absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Pres. Waddoups moved to have the staff of OLRGC evaluate and award the bid on the RFP after reporting to the Legislative Information Technology Steering Committee. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hughes absent for the vote.

**3. Legislative Desk Phone System**

**a. Request for Proposals for New Phone System**

Mr. Vaughn distributed and discussed "Phone System or Other Communications System, Service, and Hardware, RFP No. 2012-02."

b. Request for Proposals for Maintaining Existing System

Mr. Vaughn distributed and discussed "Service, Maintenance, and Repair of the Utah Legislature's Existing Phone System, RFP No. 2012-04." He explained that the committee could either replace the Legislature's existing phone system or purchase a new system and listed the advantages and disadvantages of each option.

Mr. Vaughn handed out and discussed a legal memorandum regarding issues relating to continuing with the Legislature's current desk phone system. Mr. Vaughn emphasized that the Legislature's desk phone system is no longer supported by the manufacturer and that, if the system breaks down, there is no guarantee that compatible replacement parts will be available. He further explained that, if the phone system cannot be repaired, it would take a minimum of 30 days to replace the phone system, during which time the Legislature would be without a desk phone system. He also discussed the risk of this occurring during session.

Rep. Menlove asked if staff was collecting information on how often legislators use their desk phones in their offices and in the chambers. Mr. Vaughn responded that staff was in the process of collecting that information.

**MOTION:** Pres. Waddoups moved to have staff move forward with issuing an RFP on a new phone system or other communications system for the Legislature and an RFP for the service, maintenance, and repair of the Legislature's existing phone system. The motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Pres. Waddoups moved that the evaluation committee give additional consideration to any vendor responding to the phone service RFP that is willing to agree to a periodic payment schedule, rather than upfront payment for service, and/or a pro-rated refund in the event that the phone system goes down and cannot be fixed. The motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Pres. Waddoups moved to have the staff of OLRGC evaluate both RFPs and award the bid on one of the RFPs after reporting to the Legislative Information Technology Steering Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

**4. Letters to the Legislative Management Committee**

Mr. Christensen distributed and discussed a letter from the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environmental Quality Appropriations Subcommittee chairs requesting authorization for a site visit to Vernal, Utah in September 2012.

**MOTION:** Pres. Waddoups moved to approve the request of the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environmental Quality Appropriations Subcommittee chairs. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Christensen distributed and discussed a letter from the Social Services Appropriations Subcommittee chairs requesting approval to hold a day-long meeting at the Department of Workforce Services in June 2012.

**MOTION:** Pres. Waddoups moved to approve the request of the Social Services Appropriations Subcommittee chairs. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Christensen distributed and discussed a letter from the Executive Appropriations Committee chairs requesting the Legislative Management Committee send a letter to the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget requesting that they perform an in-depth budget review of the Department of Agriculture and Food during the 2012 interim period.

**MOTION:** Pres. Waddoups moved to approve the request of the Executive Appropriations Committee chairs. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Christensen distributed and discussed a letter from the Native American Legislative Liaison Committee chairs requesting approval to hold a one-day meeting with the Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation in Ibapah, Utah during the 2012 interim.

**MOTION:** Pres. Waddoups moved to approve request of the Native American Legislative Liaison Committee chairs. The motion passed unanimously.

## **5. Other Items / Adjourn**

Pres. Waddoups noted that during a recent national state government meeting in Rhode Island, there was much discussion on pension reform and that it pointed out how far ahead of the game Utah is. He said he wanted to commend Utah's state legislators for their work on pension reform. He explained that Utah's pension reform was timely and put the state in position to make the pension system solvent.

Mr. Christensen pointed out that Utah also received national attention for its 2011 redistricting process and online mapping tool.

**MOTION:** Pres. Waddoups moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Lockhart adjourned the meeting at 4:11 p.m.